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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 9, 2010

TO: Ms. Sharon L. Summers, DSS

Policy, Program & Development Unit

FROM: Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson

State Council for Persons with Disabilities

RE: 13 DE Reg. 1088 [Final Child Care Subsidy Program Regulation]

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Health and Social Services/Division of Social Services' (DSSs) final version of its Child Care Subsidy Program regulation published as 13 DE Reg. 1088 in the February 1, 2009 issue of the Register of Regulations. SCPD commented on the proposed version of this regulation in December, 2009. Council truly appreciates that the Division has now adopted a final regulation incorporating amendments prompted by our comments.

First, the Council recommended retention of a sentence differentiating a "family care home" from a "large family care plan home". DSS agreed and incorporated a conforming amendment.

Second, the Council noted the anomaly of authorizing a family child care home to provide care in excess of 24 hours if necessitated by the parent's work while not including the equivalent authorization for a large family child care home. DSS agreed with the concern and deleted hourly caps from the definitions altogether.

Thank you for your consideration or our comments.

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